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A SUCCESSION OF HEAVY ATTACKS.

LONDON, April 11,
11.10 p.m.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—
The enemy pressed his attacks strongly all day, along the whole northern battle-front. Fresh Divisions continually and heavily assaulted in the region of the Lave river between Loise and Lestrem. Our Fifty-First Division beat off incessant attacks, inflicting great losses and re-captured positions by vigorous counter-attacks.

There was heavy fighting at Estaires and between Estaires and Steenwerck. In this sector the enemy attacked in strength and pushed back our line to just north of these places.

The enemy determinedly attacked this morning northward of Armentieres and made some progress in the neighbourhood of Ploegsteert Wood. Our Ninth Division completely repulsed with great loss another heavy attack in the neighbourhood of Wytschaete and Hollebeke.

Fighting continues along the whole front between La Bassée Canal and the Ypres-Comines Canal.

LONDON, April 11,
2.10 p.m.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—

The battle is continuing along the whole front from La Bassée Canal to the Ypres-Comines Canal.

Severe fighting occurred in the neighbourhood of the Lave and Lys Canals from about Lestrem to Armentieres.

We have withdrawn from Armentieres which is full of gas.

The situation is little changed to the northward of Armentieres.

Heavy fighting was continuing up to a late hour last night in the neighbourhoods of Ploegsteert, Messines and Wytschaete.

AVIATION ACTIVITY.

Reporting on aviation, Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig states:—

Despite unfavourable weather yesterday our airmen bombed and machine-gunned enemy troops. The mist compelled the pilots to fly to an average height of 200 feet, experiencing very heavy gun fire. Enemy airmen were also active.

We brought down seven and drove down one. Seven of ours are missing.

We raided Luxembourg station at midday to-day and dropped over a ton of bombs. Several bursts were observed. All our machines returned, despite considerable gun fire.

GERMAN REPORT.

LONDON, April 11,
11.30 p.m.

A wireless German official report states:—

Between Armentieres and Festubert we stormed Bois Grenier, Neuve Chapelle and crossed the Lys at Bau St. Maur and captured Hollebeke yesterday.

We stormed Messines height, and pushed forward as far as Ploegsteert Wood and reached the Ploegsteert-Armentieres road.

We have reached the Lave and the region north-east of Bethune.

The prisoners now number over 10,000, and include a Portuguese General.

THE LONG-RANGE BOMBARDMENT.

PARIS, April 12.

The long-range bombardment yesterday, hit a cryptic killing four people and wounding 21.

FRENCH OFFICIAL REPORTS.

LONDON, April 12,
12.35 a.m.

A French communiqué states:—

There has been a violent artillery duel at certain points north of Montdidier and in the region of Lassigny.

We repulsed yesterday evening and this morning two somewhat heavy attacks on the sector of Noyon.

There has been an intermittent cannonade on both banks of the Meuse.

During March, 28 enemy aeroplanes were brought down by our anti-aircraft defences.

PRESS 'CORRESPONDENTS' REPORTS.

LONDON, April 11,
9.35 p.m.

Reuter's Correspondent at Headquarters reports this evening:—

The situation in Flanders is generally regarded to-day as fairly well in hand, but fighting continues on a heavy scale and is likely to continue.

What success the Germans have achieved developed out of their advance in the centre of the original front. The attack was helped by misty weather. The territory which the enemy has overrun was very sparsely populated by civilians, and as regards the character of the country, it is a barren gain. Moreover the enemy communications are lengthened across long tracts of clay.

The weather improved this morning and airmen are effectively co-operating in large numbers.

At ten o'clock this morning the enemy furiously attacked against Hollebeke. Fighting with great intensity followed. Massed waves of the enemy advanced over heavy ground flanking Roozbeek, making a great target for riflemen and machine-guns whose execution is described as terrible. Comparatively few of the enemy got to grips with the defenders. Eventually the attack was completely repulsed, the struggling retreat being followed by field-guns until the enemy disappeared in the mist.

Around Ploegsteert Wood and Estaires there has been continuous fighting. The results at present are not known. The enemy brought up more reserves. We also have thrown in reinforcements.

North-west of Armentieres in the direction of Ploegsteert large bodies of German infantry are reported by airmen to be missing. Our artillery is heavily concentrated on them.

The evacuation of Armentieres was carried out very successfully, the enemy not attempting to press our retirement. The whole place is a vast cesspit of mustard gas. The soldiers welcome release from it.

ON THE FRENCH FRONT.

LONDON, April 11,
10.5 p.m.

Reuter's Correspondent at the French Headquarters, writing on the 10th inst., states:—

Relative quiet is prevailing from Hangard to Noyon. The French carried out a small infantry attack at Griveaux Chateau locally improving their position in this part. Guns were active on both sides all along the front. Along the whole front the Germans have done little trench digging. Enemy airmen are more active, but showing little inclination to take the offensive. They are chiefly patrolling their own side of the front in powerful groups of a dozen or more machines with the object of preventing our flights.

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AN INTERIM DIVIDEND of 8% (\$4.00 per share) has been declared payable on the 15th instant. TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 15th to the 18th instant, both days inclusive.

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THE STRIFE IN CHINA.

(COMMUNIQUE FROM THE INTELLIGENCE BUREAU, CANTON.)

The lamented loss of Admiral Ching Pi-kwang, the Constitutional Minister of the Navy, who died in Canton on February 26 from assassination committed by a hired brute of the North, and the recent evacuation of Yochow and Changsha in Hunan, while unfortunate, do not, however, dishearten the South-West. The attention of the Intelligence Bureau has been called to the progress of Constitutional movement since the internal struggle began last June, when the National Assembly was illegally dissolved by force by the militarists and the true republicans organized to rally for the defence of their free and representative institution. Canton, the birth place of democratic thought in China, naturally was the first city in China to open its door to welcome those whom Peking has been compelled to eject; and since the coming into its midst of the many Members of Parliament led by speaker Wu Ching-lien of the House and Vice-President Wang Chengting of the Senate and the anchoring in its harbour the greater part of the Chinese Navy commanded by Admiral Ching Pi-kwang, a Cantonese, this has been the political centre of the Constitutionalists. Dr. Sun Yat-sen, father of the revolution which has changed China into a nominal Republic, accompanied the legislators and the Navy to Canton last July, and he was soon elected the Generalissimo of the Military Government created by the National Assembly in Extraordinary Session to execute the resolution to fight the way back to and re-establish the legislature at Peking.

The advance of the Military Government has been rapid, in spite of foreign arms and foreign loans favoured to the Peking Government, an organ refused obedience at present by the South-West since its cabinet has not been approved of by the National Assembly in accordance with the law.

General Tan Chi-yao, a Marshal of the Military Government, assisted by Governor Liu Hsien-shih of Kweichow, as this Bureau has already reported, has completely driven the Northern Monarchists out of Szechuan, and Yunnan and Kweichow troops are now marching on Hupeh, where Generals Li Tien-tsai and Shek Tsing Chun have already occupied Shangyang, and are taking Ichang on behalf of the Constitutionalists. Meanwhile, Szechuan is being reconstructed upon republican principles by governors appointed by the Military Government at Canton; and Shensi, while still loosely held by militarists and monarchists, are reporting success on the part of Constitutionalists who will, at least, be able to eliminate these provinces as opponents of the movement which demands nothing unreasonable but that the Provisional Constitution shall be respected and that the National Assembly shall be reconvened at Peking without further interference from the militarists.

The Military Government under Dr. Sun is now not only having military forces in all Szechuan and parts of Hupeh, Shui, Shensi, and Hunan, aside from its original bases, Kwangtung, Kwangsi, Yunnan and Kweichow, but also extending its influence to Nukien, where the allied army of Yunnan and Kwangtung will be presently.

Kwangtung, the seat of the Military Government and where Tuan Chi-jui and other militarist monarchists have spent so much of the nation's money to bribe brigands and their former chiefs, like Ma Ching-yu and Lung Chi-kuang, who wholeheartedly support the Provisional Constitution, the situation is being well handled. Ma Ching-yu and his rebels were completely suppressed long ago at Swatow and Lung Chi-kuang, whose whole fleet except one ship from Hainan was taken by the independent Navy last December, has just been defeated at Yangkong and is expected to be driven out from the Kachow and Lochow Districts before the Ching-ming season is over.

Military success being assured, the Military Government undertakes gradually the functions of the Central Government in the Constitutional Province, beginning with Canton, the provincial administration nearest to that of the Military Government. In Canton, the Bureau for Foreign Affairs, the Judiciary, the Salt Commission, the Canton-Sensui Railroad and other administrative have one after another come under the control of Dr. Sun Yat-sen, the Generalissimo. When internal affairs are in proper order within the Constitutional Provinces and when internal opposition against the militarists is decided upon, further efforts will be made to request friendly nations to refrain from granting military supplies to the North, but be neutral in order to enable the Constitutionalists

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The present internal struggle in China may have caused a little suffering and inconvenience to foreigners in China as many Chinese have been affected by the war in Europe. The Constitutionalists, however, believe that forced submission and a superficial peace will breed chronic dissatisfaction and further revolutions, which will result in greater cause to men and the nation. A return to the original compact, the Provisional Constitution, according to which the Republic of China is based, and to remove all unwise laws and frame a permanent constitution best suited to the present situation of the people and condition of the country, with some regard to the possible development of the citizens and the resources, all to be done according to law, will be the only and the best and reasonable process hoped for and demanded by the Constitutionalists to settle the present difference (that is impeding the progress of the country and causing anxiety among the many friends of the Chinese). No one sees more clearly than the Constitutionalists how imperfect is the present Provisional Constitution and no one realizes better than the Members of Parliament themselves how incapable are the present personnel of the National Assembly, but all do agree that impatience and inability can be removed only in the right and proper way. If a conference of military governors can decide and the illegitimate use of arms may make and unmake laws, China can no longer be considered a republic, the sovereignty of which is the people and not the few who happen to be in military command. The Constitutionalists will try to gradually improve and change laws to enable good men to enter political office and strongly oppose the arbitrary removal of incompetent officials in violation of the law. The Constitutionalists, while defending the right, cannot allow injustice to be done.

Tuan Chi-jui and other leading militarists who have charged the

National Assembly with incompetence, and who are trying to pack a legislature favourable to their interest cannot find any law to justify their action, and the circumstances promoted by them to an impression favourable to them in order to shield their illegality and lawlessness have now proved how impractical and dangerous. Instead of allowing the National Assembly a free hand to adopt a war policy as it is with its power as representatives of the people to do, Tuan and his militarists have attempted to mob the legislators to submit to their will, depending on military influence to help them in their monarchical and selfish attempt. The monarchical restoration and military autocracy have broken China into many parts, and the funds and arms supplied to them by a certain foreign nation to suppress the Constitutional movement are now being followed by demands which will practically put China under martial law and command of aggressive nations. If the National Assembly had been allowed to have its own will and direct the Chinese War against world militarism with the united support of the whole nation, China alone would be able to despatch not only army and navy to cross her border to suppress unregulated invasion detrimental to her interests, but also to assist in the defence of liberty and democracy now going on in Europe and other parts of the world.

The Members of the National Assembly, unable to recognize the Presidential Mandate illegally dissolving their body, have in accordance with the law, decided to meet next June in regular session when they will take further action to protect not only their own rights as lawfully-elected representatives of the people, but also to check further attempts of the militarists to barter the interests of the nation for something from foreign nations only profitable to themselves. Meanwhile, the Military Government and the National Assembly in Extraordinary Session in Canton have repeatedly with and again declared that the Republic of China will not be responsible for any contract or treaty with foreign governments made by Peking without the approval or consent of the National Assembly in accordance with the law.

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THE TRAGEDY AT THE RACE COURSE.

JURY'S FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS.

CRITICISM OF GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS.

The Coroner's Jury—Mr. A. H. Baylow (foreman), Mr. W. C. Jack and Mr. J. H. Wallace—deliberated for an hour and a half last evening upon their findings and recommendations. On re-turning into Court at 6 o'clock the Foreman replied to the questions put to the Jury by the Coroner as follows—

Was the collapse of the matchboxes caused by fire?—No.

Was it caused by deliberate cutting of lashings?—No.

If the answers to these questions are in the negative, then was it caused by a failure of the structure to meet demands made upon it by legitimate use?—Yes.

If so was the failure due to the use of unserviceable material by the matchbox contractor, Kwok Kun?—No.

If the material was serviceable then was the failure due to some imperfection in the design of the sheds having regard to the purpose for which they were intended?—It might have been due to some imperfection in design; it also might have been due to some unsuspected fault or latent defect in the material used.

Can you indicate any feature in the design which was obviously fatal to the safety of the sheds?—No.

Can you point out any feature or group of features in the design which was apparently a point of weakness?—The absence of struts at the rear of sheds 9 to 15 inclusive. The lack of any general system of cross-bracing in the front and rear walls of the sheds.

Can you point out any features which aggravated the tendency to collapse once the collapse had begun?—The want of continuity in the levels of the roofs and floors also the position of the great majority of the staircases.

Do you consider that the omission to insert the main upright poles in the ground was an error in construction?—No.

Was the strain under which the structure failed due to the presence either throughout the sheds or in any part of them of a large crowd of people?—Yes.

Was the normal strain increased by panic before the failure?—There is no direct evidence that it was.

Was the strain such that it could have been reasonably foreseen and provided for at the time when the sheds were constructed?—There is no evidence that the sheds were subjected to undue strain.

In the erection of the sheds did the matchbox contractor exercise reasonable care and skill?—Yes.

In instructing the contractor to erect these sheds and in inviting the public to enter these sheds without limit of number did each licensee exercise such care as a prudent man would ordinarily use in his affairs?—Yes.

In inspecting these sheds did the Building Inspector use due diligence and exercise the degree of skill which he possessed?—Yes.

At what point in the row of sheds did the failure first become apparent?—At some point between sheds 8 to 15 inclusive, but we are unable to decide the exact point.

At what point did the outbreak of fire originate?—At some point between sheds 8 to 10 inclusive.

And from what cause?—The inflammable material coming in contact with the burning charcoal from some cooking chatty.

In what sheds or portions of sheds were cooking arrangements in use?—In the basement of No. 6 and on the ground floors of Nos. 7, 8, 10, 14, 15, 17 to 19, and 12. With reference to No. 12, occupants state that no cooking was going on at the time of the collapse.

With reference to the basement of No. 13, there were cooking arrangements according to the contractor, but this is denied by one of the licensees.

In what sheds were fire precautions adopted?—Nos. 4, 5, 6 and 8. Was cooking with charcoal in Chinese chatties in these sheds an imprudent act?—Yes.

If so was it so imprudent as to be grossly negligent?—No. Did any act or any omission of duty on the part of any public officer constitute approximate and efficient cause of the death under consideration?—No.

What is your verdict?—Death due to suffocation, the result either of the collapse of the fire or both. We do not attribute criminal negligence to anyone in connection with this death.

With regard to Mr. Lo's supplementary questions, was it practicable, having regard to the purpose for which they were intended, to have had the sheds erected separately?—Yes.

If so would this form of construction offer greater security to the public with regard to fire or collapse?—Yes.

The foreman also said:—We desire to put on record the fact that the Hongkong Jockey Club had neither responsibility nor interest in the sheds—except as lessees of Nos. 1 to 3—and that the Royal Hongkong Golf Club was in no way concerned with the regulations nor in the conditions governing the construction or use of the sheds.

GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

We regret that the Director of Public Works has not in previous years laid down definite standards of construction for these race stand matchboxes. Admitting that the lack of reliable data as to the strength of the material customarily used in matchbox construction makes the efficient checking of plans difficult, this is hardly a valid reason for dispensing with criticism of contractors' drawings, neither is the fact that no such check on the methods of construction as has been exercised in former years sufficient to exonerate the Director of Public Works from the charge of failing to carry out his duties as laid down by the Hongkong Ordinances. We are of the opinion that the race stand matchboxes during construction and on completion should have been inspected by a qualified engineer. Not having the history of the development of the Water System of the Colony before us, we suspend judgment on the question whether the administration of the Water Authority has been negligent in not making provision for a better supply of water in the neighbourhood of the Happy Valley. It must be borne in mind, however, that his attention was drawn some years ago by the Police Department to the fact that the supply was insufficient for fire purposes. We are of the opinion that the present water supply is inadequate.

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

We consider that the Captain Superintendent of Police erred in not taking on his own initiative, obvious necessary precautions for the safety of the public, and the fact that he was not officially notified by the Public Works Department with regard to these sheds does not exculpate him.

While it is an open question whether the great loss of life could have been prevented, or even curtailed, had an ample water supply, the necessary fire appliances, and the assistance of experienced firemen been immediately available, still that does not excuse the failure of the Captain Superintendent of Police to foresee and provide against such a contingency as an outbreak of fire in the matchbox race stands.

We would add, in conclusion, that there appears to have been a regrettable lack of consultation and co-operation between the Police and Public Works Departments with regard to arrangements which immediately concern both Departments.

That in view of the danger from fire the practice of permitting the use of temporary race stands constructed of such inflammable materials as matting and bamboo be discontinued.

The accommodation required in addition to that provided within the Hongkong Jockey Club enclosure, should take the form of suitable permanent buildings in which all inflammable material is eliminated as far as possible.

If, owing to local conditions, it is not found possible to act on the recommendations contained in the two preceding paragraphs and a continuance of the employment of matchboxes as race stands is found to be absolutely necessary, then special precautions should be taken to ensure the safety of the public using the sheds.

The framing of the necessary regulations to render a repetition of the recent awful disaster impossible must rest with the Government, but we would like to draw special attention to the following obvious safeguards—

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was the obvious duty of the Jury to set out plainly all the lessons to be learnt from their investigation into the causes of this terrible calamity, and we can only regret that it has taken such an appalling disaster to call attention to the lack of so many obvious precautionary measures and to emphasise their necessity. It now rests with the Government to see that effect is given to every practical recommendation that the Jury has made.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The typhoon is reported by the Manila Observatory to be E. of Southern Luzon, moving N.N.W.

There were 15 cases of cerebro-spinal fever and 10 deaths from the disease in the Colony yesterday.

The rainfall during the 24 hours ended at 10 a.m. to-day is given in the Observatory report as 0.23 inch. It will surprise most readers to know that the total rainfall since Monday last has been only 1.11 inch.

His Excellency the Governor has re-appointed the Hon. Mr. D. Landale to be a Member of the Authorised Architects' Committee, and also to be a Member of the Recreation Grounds Committee, as representative of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club, vice Mr. E. V. D. Parr resigned.

CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA & CHINA.

At the approaching annual general meeting of shareholders, the Directors will recommend that a dividend be declared for the past half-year at the rate of 14 per centum and a bonus of 21 per centum of income tax, that \$100,000 be added to the Reserve Fund, that \$25,000 be added to Officers' Superannuation Fund, that \$40,000 be written off Premises Account, and that \$167,351 be carried forward.

ST. GEORGE'S DAY.

"THE WITNESS FOR THE DEFENCE."

It is now proposed that the above Play will commence at 8.00 p.m. in the Theatre Royal on St. George's Day the 23rd inst.; this will make the finish at about 10.30 p.m. at which hour a Special Theatre Supper will be served in the Grill Room of the Hongkong Hotel. Those who have engaged Tables for Dinner can have same for the Supper by arranging with the Hotel.

HOCKEY.

H.K.D.C. vs. 15th Coy. R.C.A.

The following team will represent the Defence Corps in this League Match at Happy Valley on Monday, July 1st at 5 p.m.—E. W. Hamilton, W. H. Edmonds, G. C. Hickling, F. A. Redmond, F. W. S. Evans, J. E. Perry, J. Walker, A. Morse, K. Brayshaw (Capt.), E. E. Joseland and P. H. Cobb.

AMERICAN CABLES.

(NAVY COMMUNICATION SERVICE TO MANILA, PHILIPPINES.)

LARGE THRIFT STAMP SALE.

WASHINGTON, April 6.
Yesterday's sales of thrift stamps totalled \$4,120,333—a new record.

BIG N.Y. INCOME TAX.

NEW YORK, April 6.
The income tax returns for this city total about \$900,000,000, which is more than was estimated.

THREE MORE CONCRETE SHIPS FOR GOVERNMENT.

WASHINGTON, April 6.
The Shipping Board has signed contracts for three additional concrete ships of 7,500 tons each, to be built along the lines of the first concrete ship of 5,000 tons which was approved by the Government experts after its recent launching.

CALIFORNIA POTASH DEPOSITS.

WASHINGTON, April 3.
The Department of the Interior has decided to grant leases to claims along the coast of California, where it is rumored. Large potash deposits have been discovered, enabling the Government to develop a potash industry which will take away the monopoly in this product enjoyed by Germany before the war. The Government has already confirmed title in 27 claims aggregating 3,500 acres owned by private citizens but will maintain and control plans on 12,000 acres outside of these claims. "Experts believe that the United States will soon be able to supply all the potash and fertilizer needed by the country without any imports from Germany after the war."

THE PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.

CELEBRATION OF THE 70TH ANNIVERSARY.

LAST NIGHT'S DINNER AT THE HONGKONG HOTEL.

A Dinner was given at the Hongkong Hotel last night by the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, in celebration of the 70th Anniversary of the Incorporation of the Company, to which about 150 representatives of the leading commercial and other interests in the Colony were invited.

Mr. J. O. Sheppard, manager of the Company presided and with him at the principal table were H. E. Major General Ventris, Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G., Sir William Rees Davis K.C., Sir Robert Ho Tung, His Honour Mr. H. E. J. Gompertz, Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak, Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., Hon. Mr. H. Kemp, C.B.E., Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax, Hon. Mr. C. Mc Messer, Hon. Mr. D. Landale, Major Morgan, Captain Cassel, Commander C. W. Beckwith, Dr. Johnson, Messrs. O. H. Ritter, S. B. C. Ross, A. Chapman, G. Hogg, H. J. Gedge, E. V. D. Parr, N. J. Stabb and Mr. Wright.

During the dinner the Hotel Band played a programme of appropriate music and a choir was served the toast of the "King" and "The President of the United States" were drunk, the company singing verses of the national anthems.

The occasion was of particular interest to shipping circles because it not only celebrated the 70th Anniversary of the first American Company to open up regular traffic between America and the Orient, but in addition, it was the first celebration since the reconstruction of the Company, which was dissolved as it well known, after the passing of the Follett Bill.

THE CHAIRMAN.

The Chairman (Mr. Sheppard) in proposing the toast of "Our Guests," said that it seemed to him that the event that they were celebrating that night was one of some interest, not only to Americans, but to the people of Hongkong (Hear Hear). The development between the Orient and the West Coast of America was due to the pioneer efforts by the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, and for approximately 25 years it was the only regular service between Hongkong and Pacific coast ports. When in 1915, the old management of the Company announced the sale or withdrawal of the steamers and the discontinuance of the service, it was the only remaining line on the Pacific which flew the Stars and Stripes. That was why the people of America were greatly stirred at the announcement of that withdrawal, and that was why the people of San Francisco displayed such sentiment when the company was re-constructed and the first of the new fleet of steamers was dispatched. Sometime prior to the incorporation of the Company, in 1846, there was a bitter fight being waged between British and American steamship companies which had for its object no less than the supremacy of the seas. British Government, but American companies did not receive such assistance until after a bitter fight in Congress, an Act was passed, subsidising the Pacific Mail. That Act brought the Pacific Mail into being, and at the same time, it allowed American Companies to continue operations. Some years afterwards, that support was withdrawn altogether, with the result that at the outbreak of the war, American tonnage was reduced to a minimum. Had it not been that the United States was the nearest, and in some cases, the only market from which the Allies could draw supplies the Country would have had to face what perhaps would have been the greatest crisis in its history since the Civil War. Thus, the American people realised what was necessary, and the reconstruction of the Pacific Mail was a sign of that realisation. The United States has now entered upon a large building programme which, when completed, would render them independent of all foreign tonnage. Under present conditions, such a development would probably have resulted in a contest similar to that which was waged on the Atlantic in the early forties. The war had brought about a change which would eliminate a great deal of that competition. Competition should give place to co-operation (Hear Hear) not only between shipping and shipping companies, but between merchants and shipping companies. The welfare of the one was dependent on the other. When this calamitous war was over, the task of reconstruction which all nations would have forced upon them was one which would require the highest efficiency and it would be criminal folly if the nations and peoples who have stood together to maintain the liberties of the world, were to waste their energies in useless and unprofitable competition for the benefit of their enemies. Before leaving, two days ago, Mr. George Anderson, the American Consul General, wrote a letter which would like to read as he thought it expressed the views of Americans better than he could hope to do. The letter was as follows:

"Dear Mr. Sheppard, I am very sorry that fate and a steamer schedule combine to prevent me from being present at the Dinner given by the great Pacific Mail Company last night. Since from the letter I have to show my appreciation of the Company's goodwill and hospitality and to enjoy the Company's presence I feel that the occasion is one of more than passing importance to the relations of Hongkong and the United States, for it calls attention to the extreme need of both the American and

British peoples to united action and more co-operation and mutual assistance than they ever have shown before."

There never was a time in the history of the world when two great nations were so closely and vitally dependent each upon the other as Great Britain and the United States are to-day. Whatever may be the ties of blood, or history in common to bind them; whatever traditions, institutions, or ties of language or of law there may be to draw them together, are all overwhelmed, swallowed up in the great need in common which the world has engendered. And the one word which in a practical way sums up most of what both nations need is Shipping. Every ounce of tonnage possessed by either nation is a distinct, definite and practical asset of the greatest value to the other. Every ship that can be added to the fleet of one, is added to the benefit of the other. The time for jealous rivalry between American and British shipping interests, if ever it existed, certainly is now gone. With one interest and ambition, and a single great aim ahead of both peoples, their shipping interests could not, if they wished to be otherwise than sympathetic and loyal to each other. The need of a common action as to shipping, and the great common interest of the two peoples in shipping will continue for years after the war. I am glad to feel that the union of the two peoples is to be complete.

With most cordial greetings to you and your Company, I am, sincerely yours,
GEORGE E. ANDERSON.

The speaker commended the letter to the notice of his hearers. Some of the leading business men have recognised what Mr. Anderson had said and were taking steps, he believed, to give effect to that co-operation. In conclusion, he expressed the great appreciation of the Company to the public of Hongkong, to shippers, to communications and the Press, and it was hoped that the good relations which had existed in the past would be continued and strengthened. It also gave him pleasure to express the thanks of the Company for the honour of their guests' presence that evening and he wished them all the greatest of prosperity.

The toast was heartily drunk by the Staff of the Company present.

THE HON. MR. P. H. HOLYOAK.

The Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak, in proposing "Health and Prosperity" of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, said that he appreciated the privilege at its fallow words. He realised that it came not because of a personal merit, but because for the time being he represented the commercial community as Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce. He supposed there was no one in that room, who was present in Hongkong at the time, who did not share in the consternation when it was announced that the Pacific Mail was about to withdraw its fleet from these waters. But, with wisdom or wisdom, the management at that time decided to sell its magnificent fleet and withdraw from the competition upon Pacific waters. They well believed now that it was to their detriment, and it was proved more and more in the increasing days, especially since the cataclysm which had burst upon the shipping world as the result of the war, how great was the loss of the withdrawal of those ships to the shipping and commercial community of Hongkong. He thought that was an announcement that the Stars and Stripes were to return by the inauguration of the service of three boats was due to the long-sightedness, courage and convictions of Mr. Ritter. (Applause.) That announcement was welcomed quite as much by British as by Americans. How wise that decision was and how profitable it had been to those who were far-sighted enough to brave the dangers of Congress and draw up a petition for the repeal of the Follett Bill, every succeeding day had emphasised. It was a fitting sequel to the return of the fleet that they should be commemorating its long record of 70 years establishment, trading between the Far East and the Pacific coast, and it was especially fitting that they should call to mind that it was a few days ago the anniversary of the day on which that great country, whose guests they were, threw in her lot in the attempt to rescue civilization from the forces of destruction. There was no lighter word for it than that. It was an attempt, once more, to prove that force shall rule and that might is right and that every privilege which belongs to a free people can be controlled by wealth and military power. (Applause.) But for the critical days through which they were passing, it had been the intention of the British community to entertain the American community on the 6th of April in commemoration of their joining the forces as one of the Allies in the great world contest which was now going on, but it was felt more fitting that in view of the critical days which were upon them, to postpone that event until they were celebrating the triumphant victory which they felt confident would eventually be secured. (Applause.) American and British were Allies now for war or for peace, and they were going to see it through that time, and to that and the United States was standing by the moment. Mr. Holyoak went on to refer to his recent visit to the United States speaking of the preparations he saw there in progress for the part he was to take in the war. He said there had been misunderstandings but these were now all swept away. For a time, America was suspicious of Britain and Britain was suspicious of America, but Britain now realised what a great part, even before she entered the war, America played in assisting us to win the war in more ways than he could tell of and America was now realising what she owed to the British Navy which had played so important a part in preventing the world being overrun by the enemy, with their better common understanding and better co-operation, they would be ultimately saved. They were with their great French and Allied

Japanese Allies in the Far East. (Applause.) Those united forces should make it impossible in the future for any one Power or combination of Powers to disturb the peace of the world in the way that the present great conflict had done. (Applause.) Those two nations were determined, no matter what the cost, that they would see the thing through, even if they were left standing alone in the conflict, as it was quite possible it was better that they both went down together. (Applause.) The toast of the Pacific Mail Company and American friends was then drunk, with musical honours.

The CHAIRMAN then called upon Mr. Ritter, of the China Mail Steamship Company, to respond to the toast. The Pacific Mail Steamship Company and American Shipping. Mr. Ritter, the Chairman said, was an old representative of the Company and he was the most representative shipping man in Hongkong to-day.

MR. RITTER.

MR. RITTER said: Your Excellency and Gentlemen, with pride and pleasure I respond to the toast The P. M. S. S. Co. and American Shipping. To the toast P. M. S. S. Co., because of the part it has played in the history of American shipping on the Pacific Ocean and elsewhere; to the toast American Shipping for the part it has played in the world's carrying trade in the past and, for the still greater part it is destined to play in the days to come. The return of peace will impose onerous duties upon the individuals as well as upon the governments of the human race; and upon the two great branches of the Anglo-Saxon brotherhood rests the greatest burden of all of the earth to see that the principles of Democracy for which the great fight is being won on the battlefields of trade and commerce. (Applause.) The American and the British idea of their government has always been individualistic, that is, that the government existed for the benefit of man, for the highest good of the individual as opposed to the Teutonic idea that the government was everything and the individual nothing. (Applause.) The Anglo-Saxon sacrifices his government for the people, the Teuton sacrifices the people for the government. The former has been free but haphazard to a degree, the latter has been a slave, but efficient. (Applause.) Driven by the necessities of war the American and British people have voluntarily imposed upon themselves for the time being an exacting but an efficient government control sacrificing their hallowed theories of the right of the individual for the safety of mankind. The higher efficiency of the governments with their enlarged powers, while it has sacrificed the treasures of individualism has nevertheless shown to us undoubted shortcomings in all branches of our life, and upon the ability of our peoples as individuals to remedy these obvious defects of our past must depend whether or not the individual is to be paramount or whether he is to become merely a cog in a great essential machine more after the German than the democratic pattern. (Applause.) The life of the world is its trade, and trade in its true analysis is the process of co-ordinating and adjusting the consumption and the production of the globe, and if the world commerce is functioning properly there would be a perfect distribution of the world product among the peoples of the world without waste and with reasonable equality. When the world produces enough and everyone has enough for his needs trade has fulfilled its mission, otherwise it is at fault. When millions in China starve while grain rots in America or Europe, Commerce is not functioning properly. When the railways of the west coast of America are congested and thousands of cars are idle in the South, the high water mark of efficiency has not been reached. When we consider what vast armies have been

TELEGRAMS.

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THE MEANING OF THE NEW OFFENSIVE.

THE CONSENSUS OF OPINION.

LONDON, April 12. The nation is watching with anxiety, unprecedented since the beginning of the war, the progress of the critical battle in northern France; anxiety, mingled with admiration, for the tenacity of the British troops who are contesting every foot of ground with a stubbornness that has made the enemy pay dearly for his slow advance. As the struggle swings on a 30-mile front, observers here and in Paris are divided in opinion as to the enemy's intentions, one section regarding the new offensive as a diversion meant to draw off the British reserves while preparing a fresh attack on Amiens, the other section believing it is a definite and systematic attempt to destroy the British Army and to break through to Calais while holding the French opinion now favours the latter theory.

GENERALISSIMO FOCH.

MR. BONAR LAW EXPLAINS.

LONDON, April 12. In the House of Commons, Mr. Bonar Law, replying to a question as to the position of Generalissimo Foch, said the Versailles Council, so far as the working out of plans and details were concerned, was still going on. Generalissimo Foch, who was Chairman of the Council, had been necessarily taken for other work. He had been appointed, with the full approval, not merely of the Governments but of the Generals concerned, to direct the strategy of both Armies, exercising the powers of Generalissimo and directing the strategy of the present battle. Mr. Bonar Law said he did not think there was a man inside or outside the House who was not thankful for this.

GERMANY'S INHUMAN TREATMENT OF WAR PRISONERS.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF ENQUIRY.

LONDON, April 12. The report of the Committee, presided over by Mr. Justice Younger, on Enemy Treatment of British War Prisoners on the Western Front, constitutes another tragic record of German brutality and calculated deception. It shows that war prisoners are systematically compelled to engage in work forbidden by the laws of war, close behind the firing line, thereby being deliberately exposed to enemy and Allied gun fire. These inhuman conditions have been continued after the Anglo-German agreement of last year, whereby it was agreed that no war-prisoners should be employed in any work, within 30 kilometres of the firing line.

An instance is quoted where one Allied shell killed seven and wounded four war prisoners in Belgium.

THE PROGRESS IN MUNITIONS PRODUCTION.

LOSSES MADE GOOD.

LONDON, April 12. Mr. Kellaway, the Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Munitions, outlined, at Bedford, the progress in production of munitions. The increase in the first two months of 1918 as compared with last year was as follows: Light guns, 30 per cent.; medium, 57 per cent.; heavy, 38 per cent.; machine-guns, 40 per cent.; shells, 83 per cent.; Tanks, 89 per cent.; aeroplanes, 223 per cent.; and aero-engines 245 per cent. The average weekly production of aeroplanes during 1918 has equalled the average production for two months during 1915, while in machine-guns one week's production has equalled five months in 1915. Simultaneously, men are steadily being released for the Army.

Over 100,000 men were released during 1917 and the Army is as well equipped to-day as when the German offensive began. All guns lost have been replaced and we are actually stronger in machine-guns than at the beginning of the battle. Aerially we are as strong as ever. Losses of tanks and aeroplanes, replaced by a superior model, and ammunition has been more than made good.

AUSTRIAN EMPEROR AND ALSACE-LORRAINE.

SENSATIONAL CONTROVERSY.

LONDON, April 12.

The controversy between M. Clemenceau and the Austrian Emperor is developing. A very important official statement issued at Vienna states that the Emperor Karl sent to the Kaiser yesterday a telegram in which he says *inter alia*: "I disavow indignantly Clemenceau's false and untrue statement that I recognised that France had a just claim to the re-conquest of Alsace-Lorraine. At a moment when Austro-Hungarian guns were thundering jointly with German cannon on the Western Front, it hardly needs proof that I am fighting for these provinces, exactly as if it were a question of defending my own lands. In face of this eloquent proof of our full community of aims, I deem it superfluous to waste words on Clemenceau's false assertion. Nevertheless, I desire to take this opportunity of again assuring you of the complete solidarity existing between you and me, and your Empire and mine. No intrigues and no attempts from whomsoever they proceed will impair our loyal comradeship in arms and we shall jointly enforce an honorable peace."

PARIS, April 12.

An official Note was issued last evening in reply to the foregoing. It says the Emperor Karl compels the French Government to give proof of the Note and it accordingly reproduces the text of long letter communicated on March 31st, 1917, by Prince Sixte Boudon, brother-in-law of the Emperor Karl, to the hands of President Poincaré, who, with the Prince's assent, forwarded it immediately to the French Premier. The following are the chief passages:—

"My Dear Sixte.—As the end of the third year of a war which has brought so much mourning to the world approaches, none can dispute the military advantages won by my troops, especially in the Balkans. France on her side has shown magnificent power of resistance and clan. We unreservedly admire the bravery of her army and the spirit of sacrifice of the whole French people."

It is particularly agreeable to me that though momentarily we are opponents, no real divergence of views and aspirations separates my Empire from France. I am justified in hoping that my lively sympathies with France joined to those prevalent in the monarchy will forever prevent a return to a state of war for which no responsibility can be assigned to this end, and to show the reality of these sentiments I beg you to convey secretly and unofficially to President Poincaré that I shall support by every means, using all my personal influence with my Allies, France's just claims regarding Alsace-Lorraine. Further, Belgium should be entirely re-established in her sovereignty, keeping the whole of her African possessions, without prejudice to compensation for her loss. Serbia shall be re-established in her sovereignty. We are ready to assure her equitable natural access to the Adriatic, besides extensive economic concessions, but Austria-Hungary will demand assurances, guaranteed by the Entente Powers that Serbia shall suppress any political society tending to the disintegration of Austria-Hungary.

Events in Russia compel me to reserve my ideas concerning them until a legal and definitive Government is established there. I ask you to ascertain opinion firstly of France and England with a view to preparing the ground of the Entente for the opening of official negotiations. Hoping we shall thus be able on both sides soon to terminate the sufferings of so many millions, I beg you to believe my very lively fraternal affection.—Karl."

BOWEL COMPLAINT IN CHILDREN.

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THE AGE LIMIT.

ONLY 7 PER CENT. OF MEN AFFECTED REQUIRED THIS YEAR.

LONDON, April 12.

In the House of Commons, Sir Auckland Geddes intimated that only seven per cent. of the men affected by the raising of the age-limit would be required this year. The remaining 93 per cent. would remain in civil life. If three or four years were cut off the limit the same number of men would be taken from a smaller block and they would be less fit physically, on an average.

Sir A. Geddes mentioned that engineers were streaming to the Colours.

Sir Charles Seeley stated that young miners in the Nottingham area would not be selected for service by ballot as they were recruiting voluntarily.

THE PROGRESS OF THE BILL.

The guillotine resolution regarding the Man-Power Bill has been adopted. The Bill will leave the Commons on Tuesday and will pass through all the stages in the House of Lords by Thursday.

AN AMENDMENT DEFEATED.

LONDON, April 12, 1.15 a.m.

In Committee of the House of Commons on the Man-Power Bill an amendment substituting 48 for 51 as the age-limit was defeated by 292 to 152.

IRELAND AND CONSCRIPTION.

A NEW FORM OF PROTEST.

LONDON, April 12.

The Nationalist, Mr. Dooley, at the request of his supporters, has decided, as a protest to conscription, not to contest North King's County against the Sinn Féin candidate.

Polling is fixed for April 25. Mr. Dillon wired advising the abandonment of the contest.

A SUGGESTED BARGAIN.

LONDON, April 12.

The Dublin Unionist newspaper, the *Irish Times*, invites Mr. Dillon to make a bargain with the Government and suggests that in the six weeks before conscription comes into working order, the Nationalists undertake to raise seven Divisions voluntarily.

THE NEWFOUNDLAND REGIMENT.

ITS STRENGTH TO BE MAINTAINED.

ST. JOHN'S (Newfoundland), April 12.

The Legislature meets on April 23 to consider measures to maintain the strength of the Newfoundland regiment. An Order-in-Council has been issued, forbidding the departure from the Colony of all eligible, unmarried men.

AMERICAN COASTAL SHIPPING.

TAKEN OVER FOR WAR PURPOSES.

WASHINGTON, April 12.

President Wilson has issued a Proclamation directing the taking over of all coastwise shipping lines, from April 13 at noon, by the Railroads Administration, for operation during the period of the war. The Proclamation says the shipping will be devoted mainly to transportations of troops and war materials.

THE LANDING AT VLADIVOSTOK.

OF PURELY LOCAL SIGNIFICANCE.

LONDON, April 11.

In the House of Commons, Lord Robert Cecil stated that owing to the murders of Japanese subjects in Vladivostok by bands of robbers, the British and Japanese warships at Vladivostok had landed parties to protect the British Consulate and Japanese subjects. The Government had no reason to think the American Government disapproved of the action, which is purely of local significance.

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THE RUSSIAN BALTIC FLEET.

200 VESSELS LEAVE HELSINGFORS.

PETROGRAD, April 12.

The First Squadron of the Russian Baltic Fleet, composed of battleships and cruisers, has arrived at Kronstadt from Helsingfors. The Second Squadron, comprising torpedo-boats and submarines, is reported to be off Kronstadt. The Third Squadron, comprising transports, armed merchantships and obsolete torpedo-boats, left Helsingfors yesterday evening.

The total number of vessels departed is 200.

SEQUEL TO THE LICHNOWSKY MEMORANDUM.

GERMAN GENERAL STAFF OFFICER ARRESTED.

AMSTERDAM, April 12.

The arrest of Captain Beersfelde of the German General Staff, for incitement to high treason, in connection with the Lichnowsky Memorandum, is announced in Germany, though the inspired Press asserts the prosecution is only indirectly connected with the Lichnowsky affair.

The *Vorwärts* says: These inspired statements are calculated to astonish the world by creating the impression that a traitor has been a member of the General Staff. The paper says that Captain Beersfelde is a member of the Brindenburg Junker aristocracy and received the First Class Iron Cross early in the war. He was invalided and appointed to the General Staff. Here he learned the political side of the war, discovering secrets which "made the Junker officer feel as if he had fallen from Heaven."

Captain Beersfelde confidentially wrote to General von Hindenburg, saying: "Germany's fate after the war depends upon whether we really represent a true cause. It is with truth alone we can withstand our internal and external enemies." Captain Beersfelde afterwards devoted himself to the cause of the workers. He was previously arrested for political activity but was acquitted.

The *Rheinische Westfälische Zeitung* says that Captain Beersfelde's arrest followed the discovery of his intimate relations with the Independent Socialists and the Berlin strikes in January last.

ACTION AGAINST GERMAN POLITICIANS DISCUSSED.

AMSTERDAM, April 11.

A message from Berlin states that a secret sitting of the Prussian Upper House discussed the expulsion of all Members concerned in the Lichnowsky affair.

COUNT CZERNIN RETURNS TO VIENNA.

AMSTERDAM, April 12.

Count Czernin has hurriedly returned to Vienna from Bukharest.

A CZECH DEMONSTRATION AGAINST COUNT CZERNIN.

AMSTERDAM, April 11.

A message from Vienna states that a monster Czech demonstration against Count Czernin is being organised at Prague.

THE SIAMESE MISSION IN FRANCE.

PARIS, April 12.

The Siamese Minister presented the members of the Siamese Mission to President Poincaré who congratulated them upon their work.

SUBMARINE PIRACY.

WHY THE SINKINGS ARE REDUCED.

LONDON, April 11.

The reduction in sinkings is associated with the German offensive. It is recalled that Field Marshal Hindenburg tacitly admitted the failure of submarine warfare when he assured the Socialist delegation at Berlin a few weeks ago that in the offensive in the West it was certain that success would cost 400,000 German lives but peace would come this August. This is a striking contrast to Hindenburg's Army Order of February, 1917, when he said the submarine offered the best means of a speedy ending to the war.

It is pointed out in London that 200,000 British troops crossed the channel in ten days since the resumption of the offensive.

It is believed that Germany's submarine effort is decreasing owing to the concentration of labour and material on the land offensive, while the work of the British Navy is having the effect of destroying submarines at twice the rate of a year ago.

THE PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO.'S BANQUET.

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when he said: "We want no Government interference with our business when the Defence of the Realm Act is no longer necessary." He fully endorsed the national action of shipping would be a mistake and bring disaster to the shipping interests of any country which adopted it. A successful business depended upon individual enterprise, readiness of decision and the accepting of responsibility for full authority by the principals who made decisions. Those were qualities which were not usually cultivated by the methods of Government departmental working—(Hear, Hear). He thought that anyone who had experience in negotiating for the building of a standard ship or negotiating for the charter of a ship would fully endorse those views. He thought that any country which took shipping, or any business or industry out of the control of individual enterprise, would take a retrograde step and one which would not eventually be in the interests of the community. Mr. Bitter had given them some ideals of what should be done after the war. World universal free trade was not a great way towards the realisation of the ideals he suggested. There had been, and he supposed there always would be, discussion and differences of opinion as to whether Great Britain should remain a free trade country, but he did not think that there could be any discussion as to whether the world should generally practice free trade. (Hear, Hear). He thought that that would be going a great way towards effecting the objects which all would like to see come about. He could not sit down without paying a tribute to the Captains, Officers and men who manned Allied ships. They had to remember that they were all volunteers and conscription had never been applied to them. They heard of crews rescued from torpedoed ships immediately applying for a new ship. There was a fine spirit amongst the men of the mercantile marine of all our countries. He went on to speak of how he had twice passed through the so-called submarine blockade and related how when he was recently leaving England, the boat he was on sighted a submarine just outside the bar of the Mersey. The submarine was fired on and all passengers were ordered to don life belts and go into the Saloon. As he walked down the companion way he saw an old stewardess helping one of the children to don a life belt and overcoat whilst she herself had no life belt, nor even an overcoat. That was the spirit of the people who went to sea. They owed them a deep debt of gratitude and if anyone had served their country, they had. They might well be proud of their seamen. (Applause.)

Mr. E. Major-General Verrall, then said, on behalf of the British guests, he wished to propose the health of the Chairman. He did not propose to make a speech, because after all the interesting speeches they had just heard, he thought that what they now wanted was mercy. (Laughter). He cordially agreed with all the sentiments expressed. He proposed the health of the Chairman and thanked him on behalf of the guests for the hospitable banquet and for admitting them behind the scenes of the Shipping world.—(Laughter.)

The toast was drunk with much enthusiasm.

The Chairman, responding, said he wished to express his deepest thanks for the honour they had done him. He did not think the evening would be completed unless they drank to the men who are taking all the risks—the men who are fighting in France to-day. (Hear, Hear).

The toast was heartily responded to, the Ho! Ho! Band playing the "Stars and Stripes" and "God save the King." The proceedings then terminated.

The death in France of two brothers, Walter Maggs and Thomas Maggs, 26, brings to light a series of remarkable coincidences, says the *South London Press*. The men—

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No. 104 Private P. H. Weston was enrolled on 8.4.18 and posted to Machine Gun Company.

No. 105 Private W. A. Webb was enrolled on 10.4.18 and posted to "B" Company.

No. 865 Corporal A. Lambden, "D" Co., is permitted to resign, on leaving the Colony, to date from day of departure.

No. 867 Pte. T. K. Dooly, "D" Co., is permitted to resign, on leaving the Colony, to date from day of departure.

No. 868 Pte. W. E. Clarke, "D" Co., is permitted to resign, dated 10.4.18.

No. 204 Sapper H. A. Moosden, Engineer Company, not having been seen since, it is concluded, with deep regret, that he lost his life in the disaster at Happy Valley on 26.2.18.

Corpl. A. Nicol, "B" Co., is granted 9 weeks' leave, from 23.4.18.

Lance-Cpl. H. Hamer, Engineer Co., is granted 7 months' leave, from 30.4.18.

Pte. W. Davidson, "B" Co., is granted 3 months' leave, from 1.5.18.

Pte. E. H. Sharp, "D" Co., is granted 6 months' leave, from 9.4.18.

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Pte. E. V. D. Parr, "D" Co., is granted 6 months' leave, from 9.5.18.

TRANSFERS.
No. 437 Pte. P. J. de Rome, "A" Co., is transferred to the Artillery Co., dated 9th April, 1918.

No. 643 Pte. S. R. Jones, "B" Co., is transferred to the Artillery Co., dated 11th April, 1918.

No. 558 Pte. J. Walker, "B" Co., is transferred to "D" Co., dated 10.4.18.

CARE OF ARMS.
At the weekly parade of Infantry Companies the boxes of rifles must be free from oil.

LECTURE.
At Headquarters on Friday, 10th April, at 6 p.m. Subject, Field Service Regulations.

Orders for Artillery Company by Capt. J. H. W. Armstrong, Y.D.

PARADES AT BELCHERS BATTERY.
Sunday, 14th April.—9 a.m.—Right Half Company. D.R.F. Class. Examination by I.G.

Tuesday, 16th April.—7.30 a.m.—Right Half Company. Full drill.

4.15 p.m.—Left Half Company. Full drill.

Friday, 10th April.—7.30 a.m.—Right Half Company. Layers' and Setters' Class only.

Orders for Engineer Company by Captain W. Russell.

12th to 10th April.—K. L. MANNING MURIEL.

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Orders for Infantry Battalion by Major H. A. Morgan.

PARADES.
"A" Company.

Tuesday, 10th April.—5.30 p.m.—Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4 Platoons on Polo Ground. Hongkong residents will parade at Cricket Club at 5.10 p.m. and proceed by train to Causeway Bay. Company drill. Dress, drill order.

"B" Company.

Tuesday, 10th April.—5.30 p.m.—Nos. 5, 6, 7 and 8 Platoons on Polo Ground. Hongkong residents will parade at Cricket Club at 5.10 p.m. and proceed by train to Causeway Bay. Company drill. Dress, drill order.

MACHINE GUN COMPANY.
Monday, 15th April.—5.10 p.m.—Drill at Kowloon Dock. Nos. 1 and 2 Guns only. Hongkong residents proceed by launch from Queen's Statue Pier at 4.30 p.m.

Tuesday, 16th April.—7.10 a.m.—No. 3 Gun at Headquarters. Wednesday, 17th April.—5.10 p.m.—Drill at Headquarters. Nos. 4 and 5 Guns only.

Thursday, 18th April.—5.10 p.m.—Drill at Headquarters. The following men only need attend: Ptes. Field, Irvine, Labrum, A. C. D. Logan, C. R. Logan, McKerns, Pinget and Stapleton.

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Thursday, 18th April.—5.30 p.m.—At Jockey Club Stables. Dress, drill order without rifle.

SIGNALING SECTION.
Tuesday, 16th and Friday, 19th April.—5.30 p.m.—Parade at Headquarters. Dress, clean fatigue.

STRETCHER BEARER SECTION.
Tuesday, 16th April.—5.15 p.m.—Parade at Headquarters.

RECRUITS.
Monday, 15th and Friday, 19th April.—5.15 p.m.—All units except "D" Company on Murray Parade Ground, under Serjt. Edmonds and Corp. Grimes. Dress, drill order.

Orders for Cadet Company by 2nd Lieut. J. E. W. Beard.

PARADES.
Monday, 15th April.—5.15 p.m.—Nos. 1 and 2 Sections at Headquarters. Squad drill.

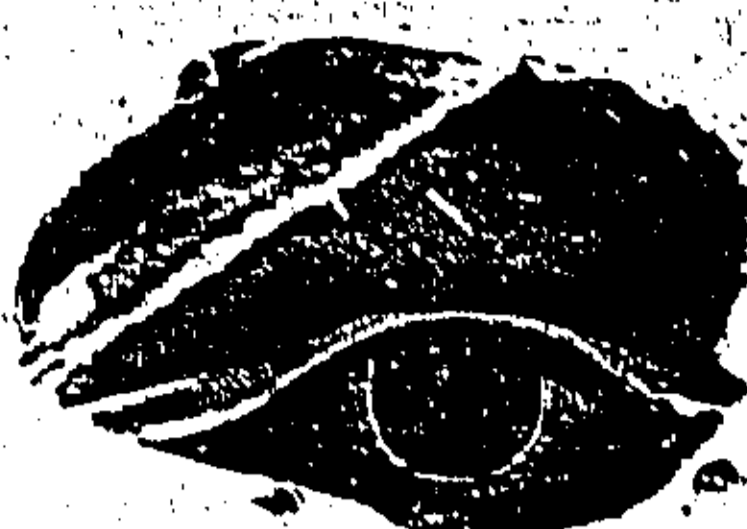
Wednesday, 17th April.—5.15 p.m.—Nos. 3 and 4 Sections at Yauwau Football Ground. Squad drill.

5.30 p.m.—Band Practice at Headquarters.

NOTICE.
Sergeants Mess.—The quarterly meeting of the members of the Sergeants' Mess will be held in the Mess Room at 7 p.m. on Thursday, 18th inst. Every member not on duty is to attend.

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HONGKONG POLICE RESERVE.

Orders issued by Mr. F. C. Jenkins, C.B.E., D.S.P. (R.).

DISCIPLINE BOARD.

Reference Orders February 19th and 20th. A Discipline Board will sit only when summoned, and not regularly on Mondays.

BOOTS.

Members of the Mounted Police, No. 2 Platoon, No. 3 Company, Ambulance Platoon and Buglers and Drummers who have applied for boots for police duty must send in persons at 7, Queen's Road East, Foot Lockers shop.

EQUIPMENT PARADES.

Attention of all members of Nos. 1, 2 and 3 Companies is drawn to Orders of April 12th and 13th.

By Order.

T. F. Hovon,

A.S.P. (R.) and Adjutant.

ST. JOHN'S AMBULANCE BRIGADE.

HONGKONG AND CHINA DISTRICT.

CORPS PARADE.

The Corps Parade announced for Sunday, April 14th is postponed to Sunday, April 28th, at 9.30 a.m.

NO. 2 V.A.D.

TUESDAY, April 16th.—8 p.m. Squad and Stretcher Drill.

THURSDAY, April 18th.—

8 p.m. Squad and Stretcher Drill.

NO. 3 V.A.D.

MONDAY, April 15th.—1.15 p.m. Recruit Drill.

TUESDAY, April 16th.—

1.15 p.m. Banding Practice.

WEDNESDAY, April 17th.—

2.30 p.m. Band Practice.

THURSDAY, April 18th.—

1.15 p.m. Banding Practice.

FRIDAY, April 19th.—

1.15 p.m. Banding Practice.

SATURDAY, April 20th.—

2.30 p.m. Band Practice.

NO. 4 V.A.D.

"A" and "B" Sections.

MONDAY, April 15th.—

4.30 p.m. Banding Practice.

TUESDAY, April 16th.—

4.30 p.m. Banding Practice.

THURSDAY, April 18th.—

4.30 p.m. Banding Practice.

FRIDAY, April 19th.—

4.30 p.m. Banding Practice.

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THE JAPANESE MARINE AT

VLADIVOSTOCK.

THE REASON FOR THE LANDING.

An official communiqué issued at Tokyo on the 5th inst. stated—

A Japanese store in Vladivostok was attacked by burglars in broad daylight yesterday and three Japanese were killed or wounded. In view of this fact marines were landed at dawn to day for the protection of Japanese subjects.

The city is now completely under the police. Disorder prevails, the streets are lawless and the streets unsafe.

OFFICIAL NIGHTS IN APRIL.

The following Table shows the Standard Time at which Official Nights end and begins during the month of April, 1918:

Date.	Ends.	Begin.
April 13th, 5.54 a.m.	6.54 p.m.	
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" 15th, 5.53 "	6.54 "	
" 16th, 5.52 "	6.54 "	
" 17th, 5.51 "	6.54 "	
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" 19th, 5.49 "	6.55 "	
" 20th, 5.48 "	6.56 "	
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" 22nd, 5.46 "	6.57 "	
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CHURCH SERVICES.

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.

2nd SUNDAY AFTER EASTER, 14th APRIL. Holy Communion (7.30 a.m.) Matins (11 a.m.)

Responses: Venite, Alocok; Psalms, Robinson; Te Deum, Smart; P. Smart (21st morning); Benedictus, Barby; Hymns, 140, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000.

Holy Communion (9 noon).

Evangelion (9 p.m.).

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